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In the matter of

Amendment of Parts 1 and 97	)	ET Docket No. 10-98
Of the commission rules to	)	RM-112353
Facilitate use	)	
By the amateur radio service	)	
Of the allocations at 5 MHZ.	)	

Introduction

By this action we propose to amend parts 2 and 97
Of the commission rules relating to the amateur radio service specifically we propose to
modify the rules pertaining to the use of the five channels 3330- 5406.4 Band

Background

The ARRL's petition addresses the existing service allocation in the 60 meter band and
proposed changes they wish to make and a related proposal later made by the commission
in response to the ARRL Proposal.

Discussion

The ARRL proposes the change on a frequency with another and allow digital modes on
the frequencies. They also propose to raise the power on the 5 frequencies to 100 watts
p-e-p to allow better reception on the frequencies.

Objections and endorsements and counter proposals

I object to the changing of one of the frequencies with another. These new frequencies
have been in use for several years and many people have gotten radios and made
modifications to receive and transmit on these bands, to have to change the frequencies
on all the radios now in use would be a serious inconvenience to the amateur radio
community. It would be difficult and costly for everyone concerned. I just purchased a
new radio this last year and under the new rule I would have to get another amateur to
help me change the bands or send the radio back to the manufacturer for modifications.

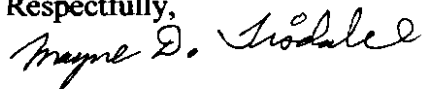
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Another way to handle this would be to leave the bands the way they are or just add one channel. This would be an easier and less costly way of addressing the problem. I further suggest that the use of digital modes including PSK 31 and Pactor III be denied. These frequencies were originally proposed for emergency use and for emergency nets and related testing. These bands now have regular nets on them and adding digital modes could crowd these bands, some one could be sending a routine message using one of the digital modes and suddenly an emergency could cause a net to use the frequency causing crowding and other problems. These modes can very easily be put on other band as they are now. This would be a more efficient use of these bands and not drastically change the present band plans. The ARRL has proposed to increase the p-e-p power from 50 to 100 watts. This is a good idea and would greatly improve radio service on these bands at all times. This would especially true in the summer when there is generally a lot of static and noise on these frequencies.

Closing comments

I appreciate the opportunity to make my ideas known on these matters and hope they will be considered.

Respectfully,



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